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1. In recent years an unusually large number of farms for new settlers have been left unoccupied in the Soviet Zone because of inadequate living quarters and the suspension of credits for the construction of new dwellings. The farms have for the most part not been reallocated because the farmers refuse to undertake the cultivation of more land which would place them in a higher quota bracket. For this reason the land has been assigned to the VdgB which arranges for its cultivation.
2. At the present time in Brandenburg, there are 20,000 hectares of land which the owners have abandoned. In Saxony there are approximately 1700 farms vacant; in Mecklenburg, approximately 2,200; in Brandenburg 1,500; in Saxony-Anhalt, 900.

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